

# LOCAL PTA ACTIVITIES



**EXCITING MOMENT...** These three Honorary Life Membership award recipients admire their pins presented to them by the Howard Wood PTA at its meeting last week. Recipients are, from left, Mmes. Dana Houston and Hiro Muranaka, pictured with Mrs. Paul Braswell, president.



**THREE HONORED...** Torrance Elementary PTA paid tribute to three persons in recognition for their outstanding services at their meeting last week. The coveted honorary life membership pins were presented by Mrs. Sam Broos, chairman. Pictured are Mrs. Broos, left, Mmes. George Crabtree, Virgil Lessinger, and James McClure.



**WIN RECOGNITION...** Fern-Greenwood PTA chose three deserving persons to whom Honorary Life Memberships were presented at their Founders Day meeting last week. Conferring the honors on the recipients is Mrs. Edward Conry, left, PTA president. Honored are Miss Veda Knoll, teacher; Mrs. A. L. Campbell, past president, and Mrs. Ruby Clere, teacher.

## 232nd Place

Of special interest to members of 232nd Place PTA, at their recent meeting, were slides shown depicting the activities of the Los Angeles 10th District Parent-Health Center building. In her narration, Mrs. A. C. Akerson, Tenth District Historian, gave a brief resume of the work that has been accomplished. Each local unit has helped to provide clinical services to so many children to whom this aid might otherwise be denied.

Of further interest to those present was a class participation by the third grade under the guidance of their teacher, Mrs. Ramona Arnold. The children presented the manner in which they discover fractions and their meaning.

As alternate for the Gardena-Wilmington Council nominating committee, Mrs. Fred Bassett was chosen. The nominating committee for the annual election of officers for 232nd Place PTA were also selected and include Mmes. Phillip Gable, Emmet Walker, Kenneth Madison, and Robert Lundstrom. To serve as alternates are Mmes. James Taylor and Paul Martinez.

The by-laws of the association were read by Mrs. Kenneth Madison, parliamentarian, and several changes were noted.

Room three taught by Mrs. Georgene Yamada received the prize for having the most parents in attendance, and Mrs. Bauer was given a Camellia corsage for being Mrs. PTA of the afternoon.

Refreshments of cake, punch, and coffee were served by room mothers of the third grade.

## Carl Steele

Hilarity ruled at the January meeting of the Carl Steele PTA. Since it was "father's night," a short mock meeting was called to order by Thomas Greene, husband of the president. The pledge of allegiance was led by Brownie Troops 207, 1811 and 2080. The somewhat glamorized minutes were read by Lorin Scheele, husband of the secretary, and a brutally altered but hilarious treasurer's report was offered by Donald Coleman, husband of the treasurer. Jack Irving gave an amusing TEAC report. Auditor, Neil Campbell, jovially commended the Executive Board on their amazing talent for spending money.

On this happy note, the meeting was turned over to the wives.

Elected on the nominating committee were Mmes. James Woodford, Leon Kagen, Gerald Thompson, Lorin Scheele, David Forbes, Jack Irving, and Neil Campbell, with Mrs. Richard Peterson and Robert Lansing as alternates.

The guest speaker was Clifford Graybehl from North High who spoke on "Father's Place in Recreation."

Vice Principal Richard Brown introduced the "Steele Bulls". This musical group did an imitation of the "Steele Belles". The members of the Steele Bulls, who were attired in novel costumes, were directed by Jerry Andrews and Cyril Levine, both of the faculty. The vocal quartet consisted of R. K. Petrat, principal, and teachers James Jackson, Robert Gray, and Mr. Raymond Phelps. The group also displayed their dancing talents.

After the president adjourned the meeting everyone retired to the refreshment table and discussed the program.



**IN SPOTLIGHT...** Recognition for their services to youth was paid to Mrs. Charles Petersen, left, and Mrs. J. Kenneth Edwins by the Flavian PTA. The two women were given Honorary Life Memberships in the PTA.

## Crenshaw

Mrs. James Bramlett and Marvin Richards were awarded honorary life memberships in the Crenshaw Elementary P.T.A. at the February meeting.

An active P.T.A. Board member, Mrs. Bramlett has worked with both cub scouts, and brownies and is at present a girl scout leader.

Mr. Richards has served with cub scouts, has coached boys' baseball and football teams for the past five years, and is currently working with the North Torrance Little League.

## Houseguest

Mrs. Mary McDonald, 1627 Beech Ave. has as her houseguest for several weeks Mrs. Etta O'Brienness of North Dakota.



**PAID TRIBUTE...** Crenshaw PTA joined with the rest of the National PTA to observe its Founders Day last week. At the meeting, the PTA bestowed its greatest honor, the Honorary Life Membership, on Mr. Marvin Richards, left, and Mrs. James E. Bramlett.



**PINNING SERVICE...** Mrs. Francis L. Stutler, president of the Arlington PTA, pins the Honorary Life Membership emblem on Mrs. Myron Spaulding, who was selected for this honor by the association in appreciation for her work with the youth of the area.

## Wood

Annual Founder's Day tea for Howard Wood PTA was held Friday Feb. 13 from 1:30 to 3 p.m. with Mrs. Lee Polick, Founders Day chairman, in charge of the event.

Entertaining the visitors were students of the school's orchestra who played selections under the direction of John Ducar, music teacher.

Also on the program and singing several songs were the school's chorus of 5th and 6th grade students under the direction of Mrs. Edna Babcock.

A decorated cake with other refreshments was served by Mrs. William Dorman, hospitality chairman, Mmes. Paul Crossman, C. W. Strahm and Paul Braswell, PTA president.

## White

Stephen M. White Jr. High School held its first Solon Scholarship Society Tea Jan. 19, in Whitehall, with Thomas Cox as sponsor. The pledge of allegiance was led by Anne Morioka, Albert Cartwright, principal, gave a word of welcome to the parents. Clara Vironda, Girls vice-principal; John Fox, Boys vice-principal; Mmes. Oscar Smith, PTA president; E. N. Reese, first vice-president; officers of the Scholarship Society and their parents were introduced by Anne Morioka.

A presentation of an engraved gavel to the president, Anne Morioka, was made by John Fox. Two musical selections were presented by the Seniorettes under the direction of Fred Wilkins. Mrs. Clarice Brown, Girls vice-principal of Banning High School was a guest speaker.

The boys and girls with the highest scholastic records were Karen Bates, Jo Dee Madsen, Sharon Barnhart, Cecilia Cook, Anne Morioka, Phyllis Oline, John Torrico, Harold Steele, James Anderson, Victor Kato, and Allen Abati. Perfect attendance certificate award winners were announced by solon vice-president, Donna Hazel. Refreshments were served after this event.

## Greenwood

Mrs. Edward Conry, president of the Fern-Greenwood PTA, announced that at the recent association meeting the program was entitled "It Was You." This program was presented in honor of Founders Day. Mrs. J. Patrick, Honorary Life chairman and Mrs. J. Oswell, Founders Day chairman were in charge.

The script was written and narrated by Mrs. Oswell, using many past events of school and PTA as her foundation. Each past president was introduced as the highlights of her year were told. Past presidents attending were: Mrs. Long 43-44, Mrs. Bowers 46-47, Mrs. J. Patrick 52-53, Mrs. C. F. Malone 53-54, and Mrs. A. L. Campbell 57-58. During this portion of the program, Honorary Life Memberships were presented to three members of the community: Mrs. Ruby Clere, and Miss Veda Knoll, teachers at the Fern-Greenwood School for many years, and Mrs. A. L. Campbell, Jr., past president of the Fern-Greenwood PTA.

The kindergarten class of Miss Thelma Reid, started the evening's program with a song and rhythm band selection. The nominating committee reported the following slate of nominees for the year 1959-1960: President, Mrs. G. W. Ackerman; first vice president, J. S. McGee; recording secretary, Mrs. G. E. Northington; corresponding secretary, Mrs. S. F. Albright; treasurer, Mrs. D. D. Watkins; historian, Mrs. A. E. McVicar; auditor, Mr. William Hambleton.

Brought before the association, was the possible removal of the signal from the school crossing at Fern and Torrance Blvd. It was voted to authorize the executive board to take necessary action to help prevent the removal.

## Greet Daughter

Mr. and Mrs. Barnes Hunt of Santa Ana are announcing the birth of their third child on Feb. 17. The little girl has been named Janet Margaret. The Hunts' other two children are Shelle and Danny. Mrs. Hunt is the former Mary Olive Jones, daughter of Mrs. Chris Jones of Torrance.

## 232nd Street

Highlighted at the Founders Day meeting of the 232nd Place PTA was the awarding of two honorary life memberships by Mrs. Fred Bassett, life membership chairman. Recipients were Miss Ethel Bromley, principal, and Mrs. William Andreas, PTA president.

A flag ceremony was given by the Webloes of Pack 269C under the leadership of Art Peterson.

Past presidents in attendance were Mmes. Robert Ross, Fred Bassett, and Kenneth Madison. They were presented with corsages.

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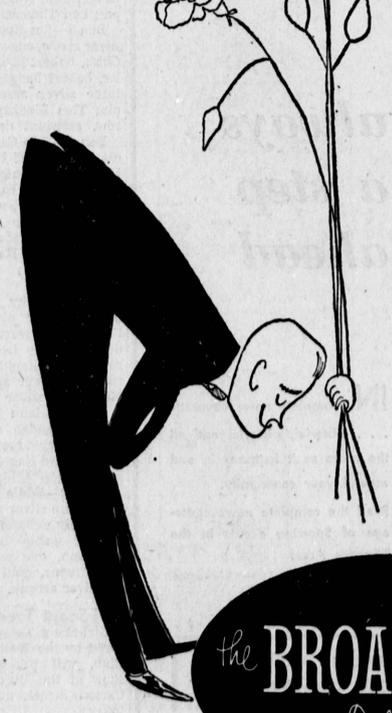


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